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(2) (U) CHINA: PERSONNEL CHANGES IN GOVERNMENT POSITIONS.
(U) A RECENT XINHUA (NEW CHINA NEWS AGENCY) ARTICLE ANNOUNCED THAT SEVERAL CHINESE OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM GOVERNMENT POSITIONS. AMONG THEM WERE NIE JI, DAUGHTER OF CHAIRMAN OF THE NATIONAL DEFENSE COMMISSION (CND) AND ZHENG ZHENG, FORMER CHIEF OF THE NATIONAL COMMISSION OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, AND INDUSTRY FOR NATIONAL DEFENSE (CSTDNI). THE COMMISSION IS PRIMARILY RESPONSIBLE FOR DETERMINING THE DEVELOPMENT OF CHINA'S INDUSTRY TO MEET FUTURE REQUIREMENTS OF THE PLA. XINHUA ALSO NOTED THAT SHI CHENGJUN AND XIE GUANG RAI BEEN APPOINTED AS CSTDNI VICE MINISTERS. SHI VARIOUS REPORTING IDENTIFIED XIE GUANG AS A DEPUTY TO ZHOU JIAJIAO, ONE OF THE CSTDNI VICE MINISTERS.

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(7) (4) INITIA/SRI LANKA: GOVERNMENT RELATIONS--A TURN FOR THE BETTER?

(U) PRIME MINISTER PAVIV GANDHI HAS FORCED A HIGH-LEVEL SPECIAL ADVISORY GROUP TO AID HIM IN FORMULATING INDIAN POLICY TOWARD SRI LANKA, IN RESPONSE TO THE SPREAD OF COMMUNAL PROBLEMS IN INDIA. THE GROUP IS TO BE LEAD BY HOME MINISTER S.E. CHAVAN AND WILL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

-- G. FARHASAFATFY, CHAIRMAN OF TPF MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS PLANNING COMMISSION. HE IS GENERALLY REGARDED AS FORMER TPF MINISTER INDEBA GANJEE'S ARCHITECT RESPONSIBLE FOR INDIA'S ECCE PLIATIONS WITH ITS NEIGHBOURS.

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